

DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

SBA Disaster Outreach Office to Close Friday, September 1

Sacramento, CA – The U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will close its Disaster Outreach Office in Beaumont at **5 pm** on **Friday, September 1,** announced Alfred E. Judd, Director of SBA's Field Operations Center - West.

The Outreach Center, located at **5545 A Eastex Freeway** (off Hwy 69 & Dowlen Rd. ½ mile south of Best Buy) in **Beaumont**, has been open since October 30, 2005 to provide personalized assistance to residents and business owners who suffered losses from Hurricane Rita. Since that time, SBA Customer Service Representatives have personally met with more than 13,800 individuals and business owners who were financially impacted by Hurricane Rita.

The outreach center will be open the remainder of this week from **8:30 am to 5 pm.** "SBA's customer service representative will still be available to answer questions from individuals and business owners on how to close their approved loans, accept documents and provide general information," Judd said.

After SBA's disaster outreach office closes, anyone still needing assistance or information may call SBA's Customer Service Center toll-free at **(800) 659-2955**. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339.